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**AMENDMENTS**

In response to communication mailed on 10/26/01, please amend the above-referred application as follows:

In Claim 9: in first line

"Perforation or incisions" replace by --A pipette tip--

In Claim 10: in first line

"Perforation or incisions" replace by --A pipette tip--

In Claim 11: in first line

"Perforation or incisions" replace by --A pipette tip--

In Claim 12: in first line

"Perforation or incisions" replace by --A pipette tip--

In Claim 14: in first line

"A chromatography or separation material" replace by --A pipette tip--

In Claim 15: in first line

"A chromatography or separation material" replace by --A pipette tip--

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